

**THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please Amend the Abstract As Follows:

Method and arrangement for providing a range gearbox with a planetary gear (1) for a motor vehicle that is configured to be connected to the output side of a basic gearbox. The ring gear (18) of the planetary gear is axially displaceable. The ring gear (18) can alternatively engage coupling rings (10, 16). A synchronizing ring means-(15) is intended to synchronize the rotational speed difference between the ring gear (18) and one or other coupling ring (10, 16). The synchronizing ring means-(15) and the coupling ring (16) are arranged coaxially outside the ring gear (18). Bars~~A second means~~ (25) for engaging the coupling ring (16) and [a] bar~~third means~~ (25, 25b) for driving said synchronizing ring means (15) are arranged on the radially external side of the ring gear (18). The coupling ring (16) is arranged between the synchronizing ring means-(15) and the fork~~first means~~ (27).